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## YUAN AND THE MONARCHY.

An eminent American Christian worker, returning to the states after a visit to China, expressed the opinion while in Honolulu that President Yuan Shih-Kai would never favor the establishment of a monarchy. This opinion, rendered hardly more than four months ago, seems to have been completely upset by latest developments. Associate Press correspondence from Peking indicates that the shrewd Chinese statesman tacitly approves the various monarchy moves.

Color is given to this belief by his failure to take any repressive measures against the societies established frankly to restore the monarchical form of government. Were Yuan really opposed to a monarchy, he could have crushed these societies, for he has the military power and knows how to use it.

President Yuan has never publicly given his official sanction to the efforts of the Chou An Hui, or Society for the Preservation of Peace, to reestablish the monarchy, but failure of the government to uphold the Board of Censors in the impeachment of the members of the society, is generally regarded as proof that the society has the full approval of the president and his advisers.

The board of censors, which is a sort of government smelling committee, sustained charges brought against the Chou An Hui, and the government referred the impeachment to the minister of the interior. This cabinet member has now reported that all the promoters of the society are men of culture and scholars of note and that their object is to engage in theoretical discussion of the principles of government, and not in any way to disturb the peace of the country.

Religion and religious organizations are also playing an important part in the monarchical movement. Efforts have been made by the Society for the Preservation of Peace to get the support of prominent religionists. But the announcement that Mohammedans who joined the society were authorized to do so by the Mutual Advancement Society of Mohammedans caused a flareback.

Chang Tien-iao and twenty-two other leaders in the Mohammedan society immediately published an announcement denying the authority of any member to represent that body in any political movement and hotly resenting the attempt of individuals to speak for the 15,000,000 Mohammedans living in China.

Most of the Mohammedans in China live in Chinese Turkestan and neighboring provinces, far west of the well-known cities of the republic.

## TWO "BEATS."

The Star-Bulletin's long succession of important "beats" in the last few months was materially increased yesterday by the publication of two of the biggest local news stories of the year—the break of the Sugar Factors' Company with the so-called refiners' "trust" and the navy inquiry board's findings on the F-4 disaster. In both cases this paper had previously and exclusively forecast the developments and in both cases the official announcements, carrying full details, were first given by the Star-Bulletin.

Furthermore, in both cases the Star-Bulletin's competitor had gone wide of the mark. In the case of the F-4 the morning paper "played up" two long explanations of its own, both of which are proved far astray now that the official and detailed findings have been given to the public. The second case is that of the new sugar contracts with independent eastern refiners. This is the biggest sugar story of the year, with the exception of the announcement a few weeks ago that the administration would stand for the retention of the existing sugar duties—which announcement, by the way, was first given to the territory through the Star-Bulletin. Last Monday the Star-Bulletin in a first-page story forecast the break of the Hawaii sugar producers with the American Sugar Refining Company. Next morning this paper's competitor remarked editorially: "Some of the sugar reports one hears these days should be taken with a grain of salt." However, the Star-Bulletin's news was proved to be a "straight tip" yesterday with the definite announcement of the new contracts.

This paper is not in the habit of tooting its own horn. Results in clean and enterprising journalism speak for themselves and the readers of the Star-Bulletin have come to expect to see the big news first in this paper. Its reason

for drawing attention to these two incidents is that in both cases doubt was thrown on the correctness of the Star-Bulletin's information on important news items and in both cases the Star-Bulletin is officially proved correct.

This talk (for the most part, perhaps, by new-comers in the country) of the desirability of retiring Judge Sanford B. Dole from the bench of the United States district court will fail to awaken a sympathetic response in the hearts of old-timers in Hawaii nei. These islands owe much to Judge Dole. The fact that he commanded the highest respect of his political foes as well as the unbounded confidence of his friends is the secret of the splendid success of the Republic of Hawaii and the establishment of the territorial government along satisfactory lines. If a vote were taken on the question it would probably be shown that a vast majority of the people of the islands desire that Judge Dole hold his present office as long as he may feel so inclined and his health will permit.—Garden Island.

The "Zealandia incident" is not likely to involve Uncle Sam in any trouble with John Bull, if the stories of the ship's character are accurate. The ship has about the status of a pirate vessel, so far as the United States is concerned, having left an American port by stealth, without clearance papers, and believed to be carrying German officers from an interned German auxiliary at Norfolk, the officers having broken their parole pledge. The United States is hardly likely to conclude that in entering a Mexican port and searching the vessel, the British naval party has violated neutral or American rights so flagrantly that international friction is inevitable.

Superintendent Forbes is the sort of an everlasting hustler who ought to get a good deal for Hawaii in Washington. Hustle has not been one of the striking qualities of the men lately there on behalf of the territory.

Bryce is now criticising the president for quoting the Scriptures, with the same Bryan-esque volubility with which he would have criticised the president for not quoting the Scriptures.

Report that a horse transport was torpedoed and sunk with "no casualties," never was compiled from the viewpoint of the horses.—Pasadena News.

Most of these "grave international crises" have the habit of simmering down into mere incidents when Uncle Sam's searchlight of forbearing common-sense is turned upon them.

Speaking about buying Belgium for a mere matter of millions, wouldn't the United States be running a chance of being pinched for purchasing stolen goods?—Manchester Union.

The Great Northern is advertising its new Coast-Hawaii schedule as the "Isles of Peace Route," indicating that peace hath its victories not less than war.

Those Texans who are "sleeping on their arms" appear to be just itching for the beginning of the open season on Mexicans.—Manchester Union.

Standard Oil is going to sell petrol to the belligerents of Europe, a plan not calculated exactly to quench the flames of war.

After brief abdication in favor of Crown Prince Pineapple, King Sugar today resumes his throne for the next 364 days.

The weather isn't often a fresh topic of conversation in Honolulu but this weather is decidedly so.

"Russians Have Taken Important Positions," says a headline. Going or coming?

Out Waikiki way there's so much extra water even an Allied war loan would float.

Villa's military force will soon be only his two good legs.

The Waikiki duck-ponds, however, never looked better.

Bridgeport unionists strike while the war is hot.

Amateur Noahs are popular today.

## Letters & TIMELY TOPICS

(The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters. If the writers so desire, but cannot give space for anonymous communications.)

### COMMENT ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Honolulu, T. H., Nov. 8.  
Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir: I observe that the recent lectures on "Christian Science" have caused considerable comment in this city, and I would be glad to call to your attention a few items in respect to the subject that might prove interesting both to yourself and some of the readers of your splendid paper. I observed with considerable surprise that the speaker to support the theory and mission of Christian Science expatiated upon the latter portion of Mark XVI. I say this because I supposed that he, like every scholar, understood that that portion of the chapter is unmistakably spurious, not being found in the oldest MSS. The Apostle Paul tells us clearly in 1 Cor. 13 that gifts and tongues shall cease. The New Testament shows the purpose of these wonderful miraculous demonstrations in the early church, i. e., to convince the then highly superstitious heathen the power of the true gospel. The apostles give us clearly to understand that the mission of the Holy Spirit to the church since that necessary outward demonstration is to work in the heart the likeness of the Lord, and we are exhorted to covet earnestly the best gifts, which are not the physical, surely.

Doubtless the Scriptural adage, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he," has occasioned much of the so-called philosophy of Christian Science. Sin is classified in this theory as mortal error, or in other words sin is denied. The principal exponent of Christian Science in the last, Mrs. Eddy, states that Christ Jesus came as the way, shewer to show man the unity that exists between him and God. The Scriptures state the matter emphatically differently. There was no unity between man and God, mankind was at enmity toward God through sin, and Christ Jesus came to give his life as an offering for sin that man might through Him come into unity with God. If sin is not real, then Christ is not real, and His atonement sacrifice is needless. The Scriptures state that he gave himself an offering for sin, that He died. If death is not real,

if sin does not really exist, then the Scriptures are entirely wrong.

Conceding that a large measure of suffering can be eliminated by a proper control of the brain, surely this does not support the theory that to believe one is not hurt makes him unhurt. To deny that there is decay does not keep the body or even a tooth from decaying. Can Christian Science produce one illustration of its theory conquering death? Christ Jesus conquered death, not by denying its existence, or its real cause, actual sin, but by overcoming it through the sacrifice of Himself for sin. Our only hope of victory is by acknowledging the cause of sin and taking the God-given prescribed remedy.

Just as a child learns his lessons through valuable experience, bitter though they be, the world also must learn the exceeding aliguiness of sin. The Scripture states, through practical experience, and denying this will not teach the world the way to Christ and eternal life and salvation. The health can produce cures, many theories accomplish much by way of temporal relief, but do any of these "philosophies" point out the secure and only way to life eternal?

If Christian Science boldly takes the stand that it denies the fundamental principle of the Bible, redemption, atonement, through the sacrifice of Jesus unto death, and His victory over actual sin, then we have no issue with them, for if they take this stand they are surely not Christian. But if they claim to abide by the Bible is it not well to point out to such that the Bible points to a better way, the true way through the blood (sacrifice unto death) by our great Sin-bearer, the Lord from heaven.

Yours wishing for the truth and consistency,

A CHRISTIAN.

### KAPIOLANI PARK AND RACING.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

Sir: A short time ago there appeared in the daily papers a statement that a portion of Kapiolani park had been leased for a specified time to an association in the city for a polo field, horse racing and other purposes, for which the association had been formed. I have looked in vain for some objections to this leasing of a public park by the officials for horse racing but the public seems to have taken it as a foregone conclusion. I do not believe our people will stand for it, for the use of a public park for horse racing, with its betting, gambling, embossment and prison which invariably follow. Let us hear from others on this very important matter before work has begun.

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I had while on my last trip to Hilo.

—CHARLES K. OBER, International secretary, Y. M. C. A.: This is my first visit to Honolulu, and I am sure you generally have better weather here than the sample you greeted me with yesterday when I stepped off the boat.

—JAMES W. ROBERTSON, superintendent, freight and shipping department, C. Brewer & Company: The Ventura is certainly getting a lot of free advertising from her wireless outfit. It isn't every boat that can send and receive messages from a distance of 2690 miles, though.

—CHARLES R. FORBES: Basketball is a great game when played right. I used to be on a team in New York in my young days that was called the "Silent Five" because we played entirely with signals. It may be that I'll run across some of the old bunch on my trip back this winter. If I do I shall surely enjoy reviewing old times.

—JAMES T. TAYLOR: This rain is not putting as much moisture into Hillebrand Glen as one would suppose owing to the fact that it is a Kona storm. I was up this morning and found very little change in the amount of water there from what was flowing last week. It takes rain from over the mountain to make a noticeable change in things in the Glen.

### C. J. MCCARTHY WILL BE HEAD OF HARBOR BOARD WHILE FORBES IS AWAY.

Charles J. McCarthy, treasurer of the territory, was chosen by the other members of the harbor board at a meeting last night to act as chairman during the time that Chairman Chas. R. Forbes will be in Washington. Mr. Forbes expects to leave on the Matsonia next Wednesday.

Work in the public works department will be handled by Assistant Superintendent A. C. Wheeler, who will also assist the harbor board if needed.

Considerable correspondence that has been collecting of late was read and filed at last night's meeting. William E. D'Esmond was present to explain in plain the conveying machinery that is to be installed at Kuhio wharf, Hilo.

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## EXPERT DECLARES DREADED CANCER IS ON INCREASE

DENVER, Colo.—There are forty-seven varieties of symptoms of cancer," says Frederick L. Hoffman, "and about the only way a layman can protect himself from it is to consult a physician as soon as anything goes wrong with his bodily functions."

Hoffman, member of numerous scientific societies, is author of an 800 page book on cancer statistics soon to be distributed among members of the medical profession.

"Nothing is known and possibly nothing over will be known as to the direct cause of cancer. The nearest approach to prevention seems to be in an early recognition of the disease, and the earliest possible qualified operative treatment," he said. "Every delay in operation is an additional menace."

"Cancer is on the increase. It is a disease of civilization, practically unknown among the American Indian and primitive races."

"Unlike tuberculosis, typhoid fever, malaria and other diseases which show a decreasing mortality, the danger from cancer and the number of deaths reported from it show a considerable increase. Eight thousand persons die of cancer annually in the United States and half a million annually throughout the world."

"Cancer is largely a disease of the adult and, in remarkable contrast to most other diseases, claims a greater proportion of victims among the well-to-do, the well-nourished, and the never-have-been-sick-before, than among the poor and under-fed. The fact that persons under weight are not so often attacked leads to the theory that ample living and abstemious diet will aid in cancer prevention."

"Cancer is not inherited, not infectious, not contagious, and not caused or affected by worry. Cancer houses

## VERSES BY WILL SABIN NOW OUT IN BOOK FORM

Newspaperman Contributes Volume of Clever and Picturesque Verse

Will Sabin's facile pen has often turned to verse during the years he has lived in Hawaii and even in busy newspaper life he turned out a large quantity of verse on current topics. Much of this fugitive song as well as other products which represent real achievement in writing the poetical muse now appears in a book-let entitled "The Edge of the Crater," with the sub-title "And Other Poems."

The little volume contains a large store of verse which will be found a delight by all who have lived or visited in Hawaii and should as well have a strong appeal to those who think of the islands as languorous parts of the languorous South Sea.

The list of about 80 poems runs the gamut of grave and gay and not a few are noteworthy for picture-painting which is typical of climate and scenery here. The volume appears at a timely moment in view of the approach of the holidays when gifts will be in order.

Sixty-four cannon and many smaller trophies captured from the Germans in the recent Champagne fighting were placed on exhibition in Paris.

Ten officers are being selected by the navy department for training in aeronautics in a class at Pensacola, Florida, on the cruiser North Carolina.

Hugh, the third son of Gen. de Castelnau of the French army, was killed in Artois. The two older sons were also killed in battle.

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